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NOMOGRAPHIC COLUMN CHARTS.

The charts collected in this report have been constructed at different times since April, 1920, but have never before been published in a shape convenient for the use of designers. Several similar charts are found on pages 299 to 303 of "Structural Analysis and Design of Airplanes," but they suffer from certain defects. The size is too small for practical use. Certain standard sizes of tubing are omitted and certain sizes now no longer standard are shown. In order to get the large tubes on the figure the lines representing the small tubes are confusingly close together. These faults are eliminated in the set of charts given in this report.

The method of using the charts is explained by the notes on them, especially the chart for small sizes of short columns of Specification 10225 steel. This chart can be recognized by the sloping line drawn across the chart and sloping upward to the right. The theory of their construction is given in Lipka's "Graphical and Mechanical Computation," Peddle's "The Construction of Graphical Charts," and d'Ocagne's "Traite' de Nomographie." By means of these charts it can be very quickly determined which one of a number of standard tubes should be used for a column when the compressive load, length, and been raised by a special heat treatment.

fixity of the ends are known. Their use also makes much more certain the employment of standard sizes of tubes.

The following charts are contained in this report:

- 1. Short columns (Parabolic formula range). Specification 10225. Carbon steel tubing. Small size tubes.
- 2. Short columns. Specification 10225. Tubing. Large size tubes.
- 3. Short columns. Specification 10227. Alloy steel tubing. Small size tubes.
- 4. Short columns. Specification 10227. Tubing. Large size tubes.
- 5. Long steel columns (Euler formula range). ('an also be used for long columns of duralumin.
- 6. Long spruce columns.

Sometime in the future, when the sizes of duralumin tubing have been standardized and a value chosen for the yield point, charts for short duralumin columns will be added.

The charts for 10227 tubing are based on a yield point of 90,000 pounds per square inch and can be used only as a general guide for tubes in which the yield point has

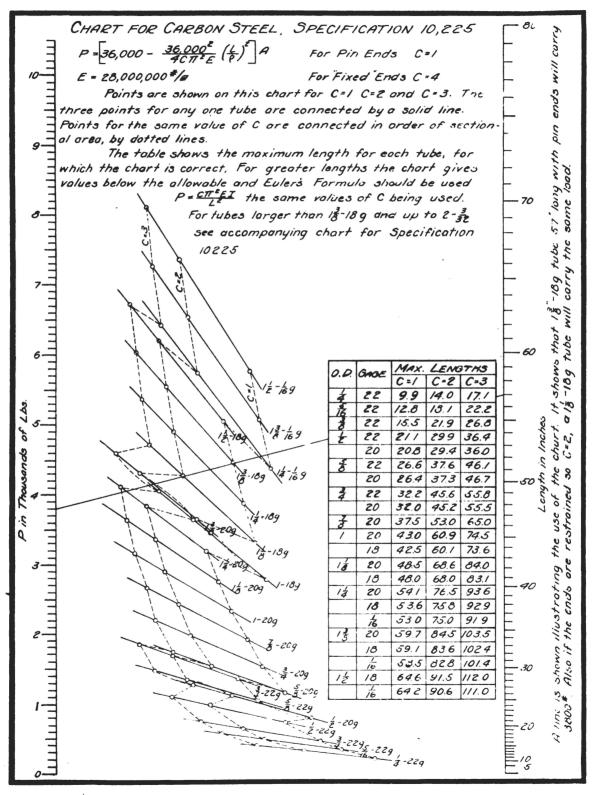
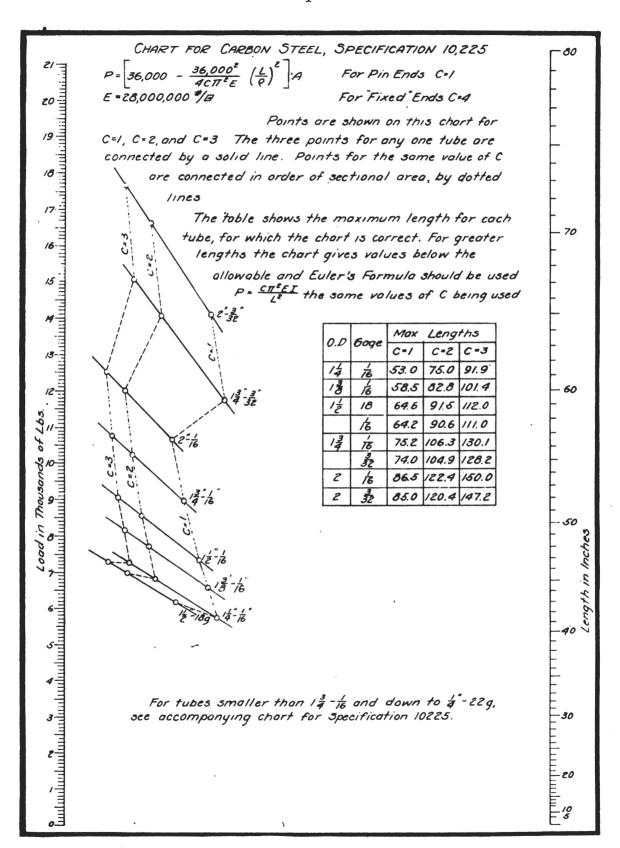


Fig. 1.



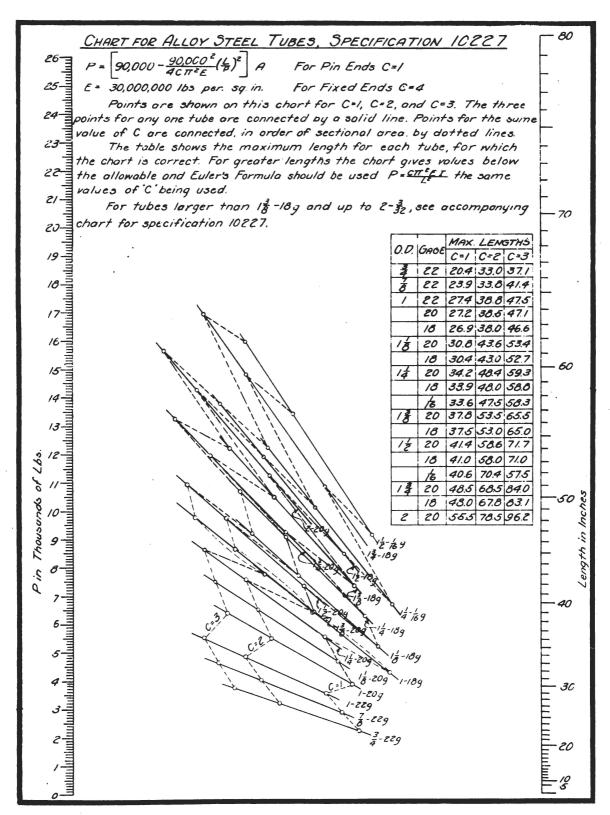
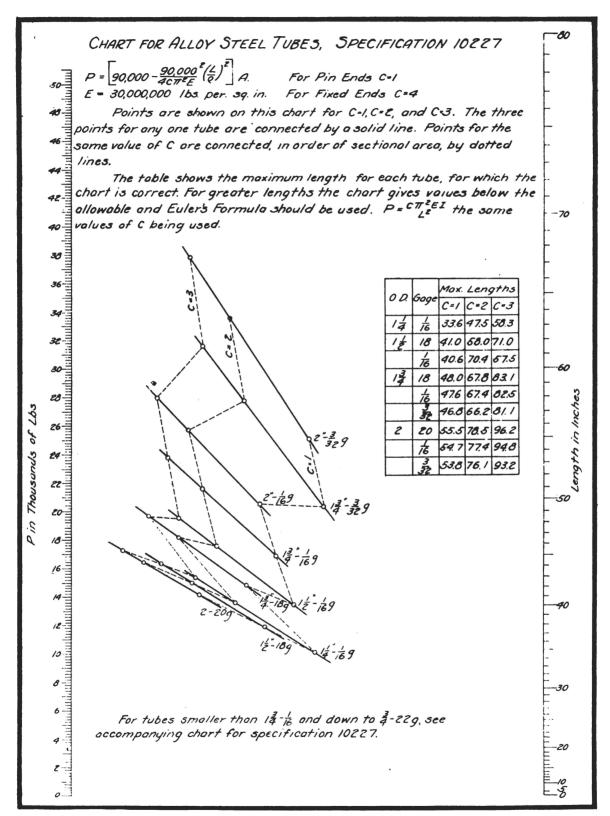
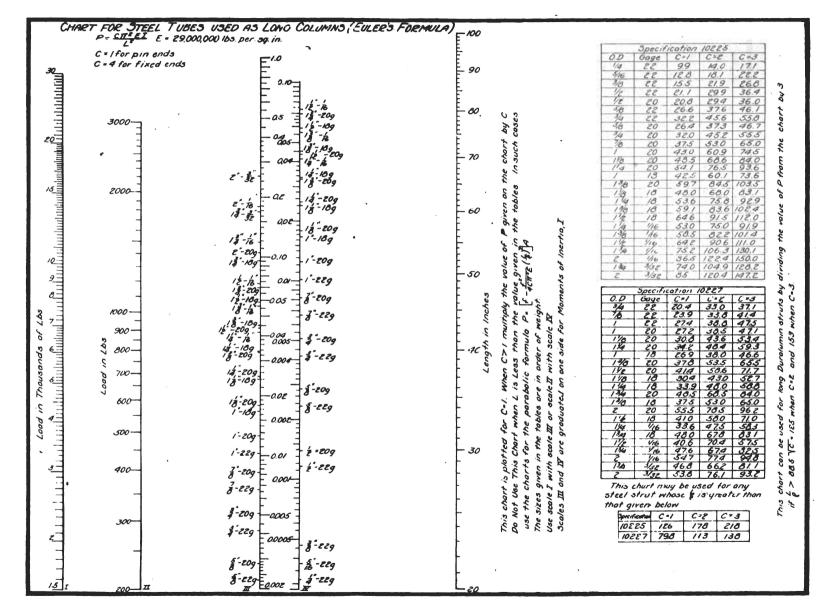
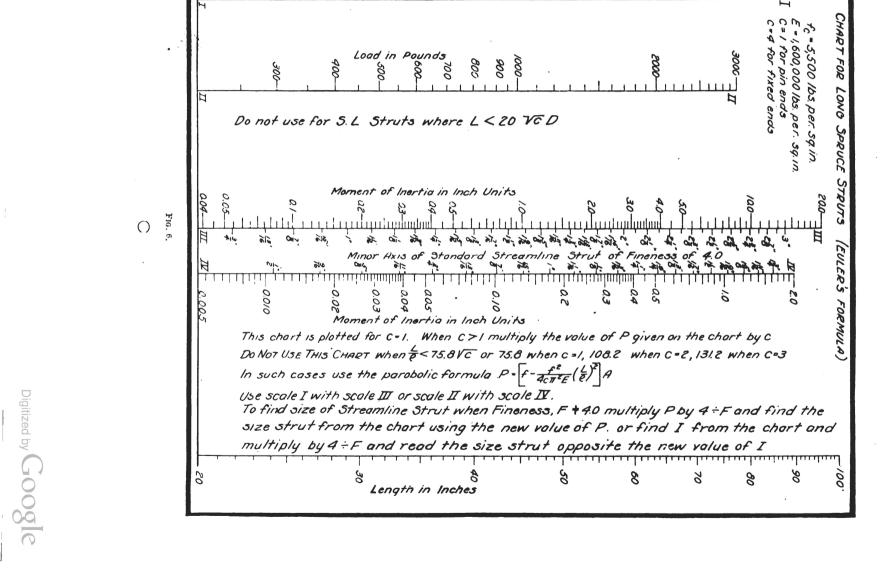


Fig. 3.







Lood in Pounds